

Government of the People of this province, yet would Expire, and become Voyd, if he should now Conclude this sessions, And therefore he sayth he hath thought fitt to Continue Them in force by Adjourneing Both houses Till the first Tuesday in Aprill next And Giveth Lycence to the Lower house to Adjourne Themselves Accordingly

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Wherevpon M<sup>r</sup> Speaker and the members of The Lower house Returne to their Owne house, And After some time of Consideracōn There

House Adjourn'd Next. The house Till the first Tuesday in Aprill

C Boteler Clk of the Lower }  
house of Assembly }

An act for Regulatēg the tares & abuses in tobacco  
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ffor p<sup>r</sup>vention of the vnreasonable greate Tare of Tobacco hogsheads of verry Ill Consequence & damage to M<sup>r</sup>chants & others Traders here, within this Province & alsoe to avoid the many Inconveniencys of too weighty & vnseasoned Casque, Bee itt enacted by the Right Hon<sup>ble</sup> the Lord Prop<sup>ry</sup> of this Province by & with the advice & Consent of the vpper & Lower houses of this p<sup>r</sup>sent Gen<sup>l</sup> Assembly & the Authority of the same that from & after the ffive & Twentieth day of december next ensueing all M<sup>r</sup>chants Traders planters, overseers or others Inhabitants of this Province makeing any Cropps of Tobacco shall provide & Cause to bee fallen & sawed by the Last day of Aprill att farthest in every yeare Respectively all such Timber as shall bee Intended or allotted for the makeing Tobacco hogsheads to the end that the same may bee well seasoned vnder the penalty of one hundred pounds of Tobacco forfeiture for every hogshead hee or they shall have sett vpp or made of any other Timber then what shall bee fallen as aforesaid one halfe to the Right Hon<sup>ble</sup> the Lord Prop<sup>ry</sup> of this Province the other halfe to him or them that shall sue for the same in any Court of Record within this Province, wherein noe Essoine proteccon or wager of Law to bee allowed. And bee itt further enacted by the said Lord Prop<sup>ry</sup> by & with the advice & Consent aforesaid & the Authority of the same that from & after the aforesaid ffive & Twentieth day of december noe Tobacco hogsheads or Caske for Tobacco, shall bee sett vpp or made by any Cooper or Coopers whatsoever of any other Timber then what is herein before provided & the same to bee Hewen or Riven into Staves & Heading by the Last day of July in every yeare Respectively & when sett vpp & finished nott to weigh above